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5. (Confidential - JMM) Mr. Egil (Bud) Krogh, of the White House staff, returned my call of yesterday regarding the still outstanding request of Senators Muskie and Ribicoff for the appearance of the Director, along with Secretaries Rogers and Laird and Attorney General Mitchell, to testify on the complicity of prominent Southeast Asian officials in the drug traffic. Krogh said Muskie had just "torn us to shreds" for failure to reply earlier. I told Krogh that we had been concerned over the delay in replying to the request (of 7 July) and told him of a draft response we proposed to send at once. He asked that we defer this until we could have an interdepartmental meeting to decide who should respond for the Administration and what line they should take.

6. (Confidential - JMM) Gordon Liddy, of the White House staff, called as a follow up to my conversation with Mr. Krogh to ask our attendance at a meeting at 3:30 this afternoon in the Executive Office Building where Art Downey and John Lehman, NSC staff, Wallace Johnson of Justice, and John Ingersoll of BNDD, would participate. I suggested [] 25X1A accompany me to which Liddy agreed.

25X1A 7. (Confidential - JMM) After discussing the above with the Director, and [] I called Mr. Liddy to say that we felt it important that a State Department representative be present since the matter of identifying by name prominent Southeast Asian leaders was one which should primarily be of State Department concern. He thanked me for the call and said he would consider it.

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8. (Confidential - JMM) Bill Burke, in the district office of Representative Robert A. Roe, called to say a constituent of Mr. Roe's, [] was missing on a vessel, [] belonging to the [] family which had disappeared without a trace last April en route from Ft. Lauderdale to La Guaira, Venezuela. Burke said the vessel was a 12,000 ton LSM flying the Panamanian flag, with a crew consisting of Venezuelans, Cubans and Colombians, and had been due in La Guaira on 10 April. Although the Coast Guard, Interpol and State Department have investigated without results, [] brother [] suspects the vessel may still be afloat in the Caribbean, possibly in a Cuban port. He said the Congressman would appreciate any information the Agency might be able to develop on the subject.

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